

January 30, 2006

**City of Long Beach
Planning and Bldg. Dept.
333 West Ocean Blvd.
Long Beach, CA 90802**

Dear Ms. Angela Reynolds,

In response to the Long Beach Airport Draft EIR for possible future airport expansion I feel as though nobody is listening or cares about those of us who are being "sacrificed" and live in the local neighborhoods surrounding the Long Beach Airport.

As a Los Altos resident and homeowner I feel almost powerless anymore and it is so sad to see a good neighborhood about to be lost to this possible expansion project.

I have lived under the landing flight pattern for more than 20 years and am very aware of the quality of life and how my neighborhood has been affected by this airport.

The noise and air quality has become extremely unhealthy in the last few years. There was a time when rules of airplanes flying late at night was being adhered to. That is no longer the case and the entire summer of 2005 my family never got a good nights sleep due to constant planes "roaring" over our house in the middle of the night.

It is unbelievable to me that your studies do not focus on actual statistics of air quality (particulate matter). All I have to do is sit out in my backyard and see the pollution on my house, plants, and patio furniture. Every day I look at and smell the unhealthy air, listen to the loud noise as the planes fly overhead, and worry about the poor children out on the playground at Minnie Gant Elementary School. It is so alarming to me and sad to realize there are people who don't care about me or my neighbors and the high rates of cancer and asthma in this area. The future health and safety of our children's lives are at stake.

I love our Long Beach Airport and fly out of there often. I can fully appreciate some "upgrades" being done and a fresh coat of paint – but expansion ...NO !! Listen to the local residents and maybe come and spend a day living here with us in Los Altos – then you will understand our concerns.

Sincerely,

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